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## PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING

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WEDNESDAY,  
MAY 2, 2007

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The meeting convened in the Marlin Room of the Holiday Inn, 1111 South Poinciana Boulevard, Miami Springs, Florida.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAUREEN BORNHOLDT	Program Manager
MARK ROUSE	Minerals Management Service
MARY BOATMAN	Minerals Management Service

## STAFF PRESENT:

JOHN GASPER	Argonne National Laboratories
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7:15 p.m.

MR. GASPER: So now we turn to the part of the meeting tonight that's actually your part. You get the chance to make comments on the Programmatic EIS. As Mark mentioned, there's a couple of different ways you can do that tonight; one is in writing and one is orally. When you signed in, you might have noticed there were some comment forms there. You're free to use those forms. They come with an address already on the form. So all you need to do is to write your comments on them and either turn them in to anybody who's wearing a badge here tonight and we'll get it entered into the record, or just stick it in the mail and we'll do the same thing. If you have any supplemental materials that you want to submit, feel free to attach those to those comments.

And the other way to comment tonight is orally. And we ask that you sign up at the registration desk when you come in here. Nobody has signed up so far, so I guess we're not going to have to worry too much about the three minute limit that we initially impose on people for making their comments. But if anybody has a comment they'd like to make, I think now would be a good time to do it.

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1 MS. TUCKER: I just had a question. Is it  
2 possible to get a copy of this Argonne presentation?

3 MR. GASPER: It's already on the website.

4 MS. TUCKER: Okay. Oh. Good. Thank you.  
5 Can you give us that website address again?

6 MR. GASPER: I can. But on your way out,  
7 if you stop by the registration desk, there's a fact  
8 sheet and it's written right on there.

9 MS. TUCKER: Oh, it's on there. Okay.  
10 Great.

11 MR. GASPER: Okay. If none of the  
12 audience has any questions or any comments -- if  
13 there's any questions, the MMS Staff indicated they'd  
14 be happy to take those questions.

15 MR. ROUSE: Absolutely.

16 MS. BORNHOLDT: The draft regs -- we hope  
17 to have the draft regs out at the end of the summer.  
18 The plan was to have the draft EIS and the Notice of  
19 Proposed Rule Making go out at the same time. But you  
20 know bureaucracies and attorneys.

21 COURT REPORTER: Is this on the record?

22 MR. GASPER: Yes. You can record this.  
23 Okay. I'm sorry. That's my fault. Yes. We're  
24 recording this for posterity. So the court reporter  
25 needs to have the people who are speaking speak in to

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1 a mike. So we do have a mike up here at the podium  
2 and if you could maybe come up and state your name,  
3 your affiliation.

4 MS. TUCKER: Is it on?

5 MR. GASPER: Yes.

6 MS. TUCKER: Okay. Debbie Tucker, Florida  
7 Department of Environmental Protection. I was asking  
8 about the draft regulations, when they were scheduled  
9 to be released.

10 MS. BORNHOLDT: The hope was to have the  
11 draft regulations go out at the same time as the draft  
12 EIS, so people could see what we were proposing. But,  
13 unfortunately, that's not going to be the case. The  
14 draft regulations are scheduled to be put out at the  
15 end of the summer. So there will be some sort of time  
16 lag.

17 But I think it's also going to be good to  
18 be that way, because it will get an understanding of  
19 concerns that people have with regard to the  
20 environmental analysis and perhaps some mitigation.  
21 And we can incorporate that into the rule. So that's  
22 going to actually be okay.

23 MS. TUCKER: Yes. Thank you.

24 MR. GASPER: Anybody else? No more  
25 questions? Okay. If not, thanks for coming. And

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1 we'll declare the meeting officially over. Thank you.

2 (Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at

3 approximately 7:20 p.m.)

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